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TAGS: EAIR, EIND, FR, US

SUBJ: CIVAIR: MCDONNELL DOUGLAS AND THE ASMR PROJECT

REF: PARIS 8477

1. WE WERE CONTACTED APRIL 5 BY OLIVEAU OF DOUGLAS AIRCRAFT WHO IS CURRENTLY IN PARIS. HE WISHED FOLLOW UP ON APPROACH GEN. MITTERAND OF SNIAS HAD MADE TO US SINCE HE SAID REFTEL INFO HAD INDEED BEEN PASSED ON TO DOUGLAS. WE DREW ON REFTEL TO OUTLINE FOR OLIVEAU SUBSTANCE OF WHAT MITTERAND HAD TOLD US. WE CONFESSED TO HAVING BEEN A BIT PUZZLED OVER WHICH ASMR DESIGN GEN. MITTERAND WAS ADVOCATING AND WHETHER HE WAS TRYING TO OUT-MANEUVER DASSAULT. OLIVEAU SAID HE TOO COULD NOT UNDERSTAND THIS SINCE THUS FAR SNIAS REPS HAD PLAYED THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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GAME SQUARELY IN THE TALKS ON ASMR PROJECT EVEN THOUGH THEY WERE NOT IN THE DRIVER'S SEAT.

2. OLIVEAU SAID DOUGLAS HAD GOTTEN THE MESSAGE THAT GOF WANTED FINAL DECISION FROM DOUGLAS SOONEST. DOUGLAS REPS HAD MET WITH FRENCH IN NEW YORK AT END OF LAST WEEK TO DISCUSS THE ASMR

PROJECT AND DOUGLAS' FINAL ANSWER WOULD BE  
CONVEYED TO GOF THIS WEE, PROBABLY APRIL 7.  
JOHN MCDONNELL WAS COMING TO PARIS FOR THE PURPOSE.  
WHEN WE ASKED OLIVEAU WHAT THE DOUGLAS RESPONSE  
WOULD BE HE SAID HE DID NOT FEEL AT LIBERTY  
TO DIVULGE IT OR EVEN TO CONFIDE WHETHER HE WAS  
OPTIMISTIC OR PESSIMISTIC.

3. APROPOS OF GEN. MITTERAND'S INTEREST  
IN MEETING WITH SANFORD MCDONNELL, WE  
ASKED WHETHER THE LATTER HAD ANY PLANS TO  
COME TO PARIS. OLIVEAU REPLIED IN THE NEGATIVE.  
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